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## WELDING INSPECTION REPORT

Resident Engineer: Pursell, Gary **Report No:** WIR-002614 Address: 333 Burma Road **Date Inspected:** 16-May-2008

City: Oakland, CA 94607

**OSM Arrival Time:** 1330 **Project Name:** SAS Superstructure **OSM Departure Time:** 2230 **Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV

Contractor: Zhenhua Port Machinery Company, Ltd (ZPMC), Changxing Island **Location:** Shanghai, China

**CWI Name:** See below **CWI Present:** Yes No **Inspected CWI report:** Yes N/A **Rod Oven in Use:** Yes No No N/A N/A **Electrode to specification:** Yes No Weld Procedures Followed: Yes No N/A N/A **Qualified Welders:** Yes No **Verified Joint Fit-up:** Yes No N/A N/A Yes N/A **Approved Drawings:** Yes No **Approved WPS:** No Yes No N/A **Delayed / Cancelled:** 

**Bridge No:** 34-0006 **Component:** Tower and OBG Fabrication

#### **Summary of Items Observed:**

Caltrans Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector, Mr. Paul Dawson, arrived on site at the Zhenhua Port Machinery Company (ZPMC) facility at Changxing Island, in Shanghai, China, for the purpose of monitoring welding and fabrication of the San Francisco / Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) components. The QA Inspector observed the following:

CWI Inspector: Mr. Zhand Bao Lei, Mr. Liu Huajie,

New Tower Shop Bay 1

The QA Inspector observed ZPMC welder Ms. Chen Hong Xia stencil 40460 is using welding procedure specification WPS-B-T-2221-B-L3C-S-1 to make submerged arc groove weld SSDI SA17 A/G-16B. The QA Inspector observed a welding current of approximately 530 amps, 30.0 volts and the base material appears to be between 110°C and 230°C. Items observed by the QA Inspector appear to comply with project specifications.

The QA Inspector observed ZMPC personnel performing heat straightening of plate SA17 (N)-1 as directed by document HSR1(T)1745. The QA Inspector observed ZPMC personnel monitoring the maximum heat temperature of these plates and the QA Inspector observed the plates being flame straightened do not appear to be exceeding the maximum temperature as listed on the HSR1(T)1745 document.

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The QA Inspector observed ZPMC welder Mr. Zhang Feng stencil 49769 is using shielded metal arc welding procedure WPS-B-P-2112-FCM to make fillet tack welds on OBG PL510, side plate SP-81B stiffener weld SP081-001-033. The QA Inspector observed THJ 506fe-1 E7018 4.0 mm diameter electrodes, a welding current of approximately 180 amps and a minimum base material preheat temperature of 40° C. Items observed by the QA Inspector appear to comply with project specifications.

Bay 6

The QA Inspector observed ZPMC welder Mr. Renjin Zho stencil 44837 is using welding procedure specification WPS-B-P-2114 to make floor beam weld FB004-13-44 in the 3F (vertical) position. The QA Inspector confirmed Mr. Zho has been qualified to weld in the 3F position. The QA Inspector observed E7018 4mm diameter shielded metal arc welding electrodes with a current of approximately 150 amps. Items observed by the QA Inspector appear to comply with project specifications.

Bay 7

At around 1545 hours the QA Inspector was informed that ZPMC has identified one of the tack welds in floor beam FB014-014-001 has a weld crack. At approximately 1550 hours, (five minutes after notification) the QA Inspector arrived in bay 7 and the QA Inspector observed the cracked tack weld in floor beam FB014-014-001 has been ground out and the base material has been gouged to a depth of approximately 5 mm. Note: ZPMC performed this work prior to the arrival of the QA Inspector. The QA Inspector observed ZPMC QC magnetic particle inspector Mr. Cai Xinxin performing a magnetic particle inspection of the weld removal area and after the gouge had been ground to a depth of approximately 6 mm Mr. Cai Xinxin determined the crack had been removed and the MT inspection is acceptable. The QA Inspector measured the depth of the gouge to be approximately 6 mm deep. The QA Inspector also performed a visual and magnetic particle inspection of the gouged area and items observed appear to comply with project specifications. The QA Inspector performed random visual inspections of the other tack welds on floor beam FB014-014-001 and no other tack welds appear to have similar linear indications. Note: this plate is approximately 30 mm thick and based on the depth of the gouge the repairing of this gouge is not considered a critical weld repair. See TL-6027 report titled: "Magnetic Particle Test Report" and the two photographs below for additional information.





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# **Summary of Conversations:**

See above.

#### **Comments**

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact Patrick Lowry (858) 344-2712, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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